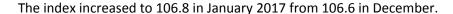
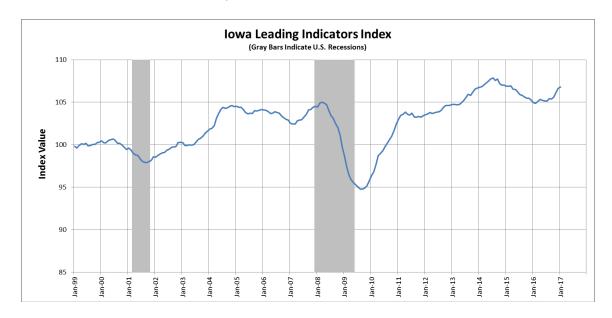
Statistic: Iowa Department of Revenue Iowa Leading Indicators Index

Analysis: The Iowa Leading Indicators Index (ILII) is based on eight economic indicators determined by the Iowa Department of Revenue to be significantly correlated to the immediate future direction of the Iowa economy.





Five of the eight indicators contributed positively to the index, as outlined in the table below.

	Monthly Change of ILII Component								
	Average Manufacturing Hours	Residential Building Permits	New Orders Index	Average Weekly Unemployment Claims	Yield	Diesel Fuel Consumption	lowa Stock Market Index	Agricultural Futures Profits Index	
Aug-16	Negative	Positive	Negative	Positive	Positive	Negative	Positive	Positive	
Sep-16	Negative	Positive	Negative	Positive	Positive	Positive	Negative	Negative	
Oct-16	Negative	Positive	Negative	Positive	Positive	Positive	Negative	Positive	
Nov-16	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Negative	Positive	Positive	
Dec-16	Negative	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	
Jan-17	Negative	Negative	Positive	Positive	Negative	Positive	Positive	Positive	

The six-month diffusion index (August to January) increased to 87.5 in January from 75.0 in December. The diffusion index measures the proportion of the eight components that rose during the most recent half-year, based on actual changes. Seven of the eight indicators increased more than 0.05% over the most recent six-month period. These indicators are the new orders index, lowa stock market index, national yield spread, agricultural futures profits index, average weekly unemployment claims, diesel fuel consumption, and residential building permits.

Additional information can be found on the Legislative Services Agency's Economic Trends webpage at https://www.legis.iowa.gov/publications/fiscal/economicTrends. The webpage includes links to source sites and the underlying data for each Economic Trends indicator.

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